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PROGRAM FOR HUNTERS WITH DISABILITIES


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History: This Regulation incorporates changes every eighteen months.

Summary: This document outlines the Regulations that govern hunting opportunities for hunters with disabilities on Fort A.P. Hill (FAPH).

Applicability: This Regulation applies to all individuals hunting participating in the disabled hunt program within the boundaries of FAPH.

Suggested Improvements: The proponent of this Regulation is the Directorate of Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (DMWR), Environmental and Natural Resources Division (ENRD). Please send comments/suggested improvements on DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms), to DMWR 18616 A.P. Hill Drive Fort A.P. Hill, Virginia 22427-8102

*This Regulation supersedes APH Regulation 200-09, dated 1 July 04.

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1. Policy. **Hunting by mobility-impaired persons will be permitted during the hunting season when a designated area is not required for training activities. In September 1999, Training Area Four (TA 4) was designated for hunters with disabilities ONLY.**

a. New *items are in bold italics.*

b. Mobility-impaired shall be defined as “confined to a wheelchair, requiring assistive devices to walk or move, or missing one or more limb.”

c. It is the responsibility of all hunters participating in this program to read and understand Federal, State, County, and Fort A. P. Hill (FAPH) hunting Laws/Regulations/Circulars, including this Hunter with Disabilities Regulation, in their entirety. Anyone failing to comply with the hunting Laws/Circulars/Regulations and/or any conduct hazardous to life and safety may be barred from the Installation, have their recreational privileges revoked, be issued applicable citations and/or any combination of the penalties listed. **Hunting on Fort A. P. Hill is a privilege, not a right.**

2. **Special Permits. To qualify as a hunter with a disability, the hunter must possess a Fort A. P. Hill senior citizen/disabled-hunting permit. This permit qualifies a mobility-impaired**

3. individual (as defined under item 1b above) to hunt in TA 4 or use any of the equipment available through this program.

a. Crossbows are legal on Fort A. P. Hill. Individuals wishing to use a crossbow during the Archery season must possess a crossbow permit from the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries' (VDGIF) Richmond Office. With this permit, hunters with and without disabilities may be issued a permit to hunt with a crossbow. Hunters wishing to use a crossbow during the firearms season may do so without a crossbow permit.

b. Disabled hunters with a 'vehicle hunting' permit authorized by a VDGIF Game Warden will be permitted to hunt from a stationary vehicle. The vehicle must be parked a minimum of 50 feet off of the road in the correct training area. Hunters are prohibited from shooting down or across any paved or gravel road.

3. Equipment availability is on a first-come, first-served basis and will change daily according to training requirements. Military training takes priority over recreation at all times.

a. The following are currently available in TA 4:

- (1) Five wheelchair accessible hunting stands
- (2) One HUNTMASER hydraulic lift

(3) One Buckingham Palace

b. Pop-up blinds may be utilized in Training Areas throughout the Installation.

4. Check-out/Check-in Procedures.

a. Equipment and stands may be booked no earlier than 4:00 PM, one day in advance of the hunt. Reservations may be made in person at the game check station or by calling (804) 633-8244. Reservation of a pop-up blind does not imply reservation of a spot in a particular hunting area.

b. Any hunter that requires assistance in retrieving a deer must have a hunting partner. The partner must remain within 300 yards of the mobility-impaired hunter. The disabled hunter is required to have a whistle or other noisemaker capable of making a noise that will summon the able-bodied hunting partner.

c. Disabled hunters may check-out/in or be checked-out/in by a companion at the disabled hunters window at the game check station during the regular hours of operation. The companion may also utilize this window.

Solid blaze orange clothing is recommended during all seasons and is **required** for **all** hunters during the special muzzleloader and shotgun seasons (see current Fort A. P. Hill hunting Regulation/Circular for dates).

The blaze orange requirement consists of a minimum of 500 solid square inches of blaze orange visible from the front and rear, including a blaze orange vest or jacket and a hat. Hunters must wear their blaze orange when they check out to hunt. Blaze orange camouflage is permitted, but a solid blaze orange hat and vest or jackets are still required.

5. Game Management.

a. All harvest limits in TA 4 are the same as posted in the current Fort A. P. Hill Hunting Circular/Regulations with the exception of deer. TA 4 is either sex for deer throughout the entire deer-hunting season.

b. All big game must be tagged at the site of kill and checked at the game check station in accordance with the current Fort A. P. Hill Hunting Circular/Regulations.

c. Small game hunters must complete a survey.

6. References.

- a. Virginia Game Inland Fish and Boat Laws and Regulations, 1996.
- b. Hunting and Trapping in Virginia-xx¹ Regulations.
- c. AR 200-3, Natural Resources- Land, Forest and Wildlife Management, 28 February 95.
- d. APH Regulation 190-11, Prohibited Weapons/Items and Control of Privately Owned Firearms and Ammunition, 10 February 06.
- e. APH Cir 200-06¹-2, Fort A. P. Hill Hunting Regulations²

¹ '06' designates the current year.

² Regulations **or** Circular.



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